GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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FELLING OF TREES FOR DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has granted permission for the felling of thousands of green trees for the Mega railway station to be built in Anand Vihar area of Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any assurance for proportionate plantation of new trees in their place had been taken from the Ministry of Railways before granting such permission; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Permission for felling of 15,462 trees has been granted for construction of Railway Terminal at Anand Vihar.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The permission is subject to planting of 1,21,290 trees at 25 identified locations for the purpose of compensatory afforestation by the Railway authorities.